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GET IT DONE

School opens soon. Your child will do better if in good health. Before school opens take the child to a doctor and a dentist for a check-up. Don't wait. The important items are: teeth, eyes, throat, weight.

CITE THE RECORD

The financial editor of the New York Times wrote last Sunday:

"In the industrial front production in many lines is at peak levels, with employment at an all-time high."

The Democratic Party would do well to use that as the theme of its presidential campaign, and lay off the so-called "do-nothing Congress."

The American wants a high living standard. They want commodities. They want jobs at good pay. They want a sense of security. And, we believe that the Democratic Party has come nearest to meeting that desire. Certainly in the livetime of the average voter. The great nation to come to the brink of doom under the last Republican administration, Republicanism paved for vested interests; against the farmer and the workers; the common man. America was saved from economic ruin under Democratic leadership.

Business has prospered. The farmer has prospered. The worker has prospered. All the credit cannot be claimed by any political party. World events are reflected in the economic affairs of any nation. The fact stands that the Democratic Party has been dynamic, vigorous and capable. We do not want to go back to depression and insecurity; nor do we wish to venture along the path of government by and for sections or classes. Full employment and peak production are fine recommendations for any party's administration.

WITH OTHER EDTORS

MORE MILES PER GALLON

From Winchester Star

It is revealed that motor car manufacturers are planning action to "conserve America's dwindling oil resources. They will presently manufacture engines with still higher compression which are expected to yield 30 to 40 per cent more miles per gallon.

Higher compression means that the gasoline and air mixture squeezed into a smaller space before being exploded by the spark. The result is that gasoline is more completely burned, giving greater power from the same quantity of fuel. Stepping up the compression ratio has been a gradual process ever since the first automobile was built.

But motors now planned will require higher test gasoline - fuel of at least a 93 octane rating, compared with the top for premium gasoline today of about 87 octanes. Petroleum industry is expected to be able to fill all demands, as gasoline of more than 100 octane rating can now be refined.

Many years will elapse before the industry is equipped for large-scale production of synthetic gasoline. Fuel-saving motors will help stretch gasoline supplies.

LET'S ABOLISH AUGUST

From Salem Times-Register

Hot, sticky August, the worst month of the year. Even the dogs don't take to sweating. They are snappy and too tired to spend any energy. The laundry are worn out and praying for Fall; cooler nights, and fewer encroachments upon their privacy.

Business is slow in August, unless you are selling ice cream or Dewey buttons.

Wars always break out in August. And it's a wonder. Statesmen sweat, too and their underwear crawls and their wives get cranky and finally they don't give a dang what they do.

Then came the editor's happy thought. Like all great ideas it was a simple one. Nobody likes August. Even the stenographers who have to take their vacations now because their bosses demand it, don't really have any affection for the month.

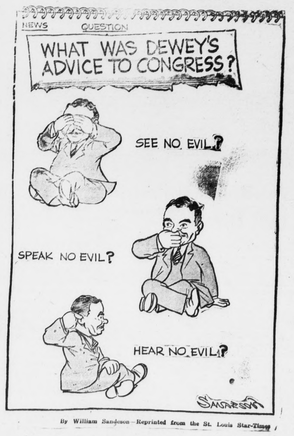
So why not abolish August? Let's just get rid of the pesky month. Give it back to the Romans who invented it.

Ex-Nazi overlord is hanged in Poland.

Western Europe hopes for end of bread rationing.

School opening nears.

Sketching Up With The News



By William Sanderson—Reprinted from the St. Louis Star-Times

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DEVOTIONAL READING: Luke 19:35-37.

At the Word of Command

Lesson for August 29, 1948

DO PEOPLE always do what they know is right? You would think so, but they don't. It is strange how many excuses people can think up to get out of doing what they know in their hearts they ought to do.

But not this man Ananias. He was a shining exception. There are three Ananiases in the New Testament, and this one makes up for the other two. One of the others was a rascally priest and one was a famous liar, but this Ananias, another of the "unheralded" characters from the Bible, is famed for going when God said, "Go." We know nothing much else about him, but this is enough.

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No Wonder He Hesitated

IT WAS just after the conversion of Saul. At the time of our story, nobody had ever heard of Paul, only of Saul as he was then called, and nobody heard anything good. He was a bitter, ruthless man. He had no use for Christians. Extermination was his only answer to the Christian challenge. The name of Saul brought terror.

On this day of our story Saul had been only three days a Christian. He had had nothing to eat all that time, and he was said to be blind. You may be sure that Christians stayed away from him. His Jerusalem cronies had no doubt given him up as crazy, but no Christian would go near him either. At this point our Ananias had a vision. Jumped into him. "Go to Saul and lay his hands on him in help and blessing. Naturally Ananias held back. This was a dangerous man, said he. But again the Lord in the vision said, "Go." and Ananias went.

Suppose Ananias had said "No"? Just that? Would it have changed the whole course of Christian history. How? He could have thought of many an excuse. "Aren't there other men who can baptize Saul as well as I can? . . . This whole vision may be only a mistake . . ." And so forth. But not when it became clear to him that this was God's will. Ananias went, though he still did not like it.

How is it with you? When you know what you ought to do, what is the first thing you think of? How to do it, or how to get out of doing it?

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Taking Orders From God

HOW CAN we tell when it is really God who commands us? Most Christians today are suspicious of visions, and well we may be. Too many crazy things have been done by people who saw "visions" for us to trust such experiences very far.

One way in which God's orders come to us is in the Word of God, particularly in the words of Christ. For example, take one of the hardest things Jesus ever said: "LOVE YOUR ENEMIES AND PRAY FOR THOSE WHO PERSECUTE YOU." That sounds tough. It is tough. But it is a command. Yet don't most of us leave that command in the closed Bible and act as if the words had never been said?

That brings up another question. Is it likely that Ananias became fond of Saul all at once? Hardly. Ananias could not have liked the man; there was then nothing about him to like. We know from Paul's own words that people generally were not attracted by his looks. Yet Ananias, who could not have liked Saul, much less been fond of him, went and called him "Brother" and gave him his start in the Christian life.

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Do You Know a Saul?

NOT FAR from where you are sitting at this moment there may be someone like Saul. He is a Christian, but a new and (so far) poor one, maybe. Someone nobody believes in, someone you scarcely know. It may be a child out of some low-grade home; it may be an ex-drunkard (not so long over it) or an ex-convict even; perhaps someone who has actually done you a wrong.

But this person may be just where Saul was, needing a friend. God may already have touched his heart, all he needs now is the human touch of a Christian friend. Maybe you can't love him, can't even like him; but if he is a human soul God loves him. If you can help him, then you are his Ananias. You know what you ought to do. Will you do it?

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ANOTHER VIRGINIA CITY

From Roanoke World-News

Next Monday Virginia is going to take another city to add to its fast-growing list that more recently ranked Martinsville and Waynesboro. The new one is Falls Church. What was once a tiny, sleepy village outside of Washington, D. C., now has a population of 5,338 and is growing so fast that it already is considering annexation that will give it over 15,000 and a first class rating with the right to levy local taxes.

"What has happened in Falls Church is symbolic of the metamorphosis that has come over Northern Virginia," observes the Washington Post with a bit of admitted nostalgia, adding: "The Virginia countryside has always had a quiet charm of its own." Now this is being sacrificed to the expansion of the Nation's Capital, which has been proceeding apace for the past few years, especially since the beginning of World War II. People have to have some place to sleep and eat. Result: Northern Virginia has become largely urban.

Alexandria has jumped its population from 33,523 in 1940 to an estimated 75,000 or approximately equal to Roanoke. Arlington County boasts 125,000 people today compared with 57,000 a decade ago. Fairfax has doubled its 1940 population of 40,000. The growth continues as those who must work in Washington seek breathing space of the older countryside. Soon all the sector within 25 miles of the Capital will be largely urban in character.

The charm of the area is vanishing forever in the march of progress.

CIVILIZATION THREATENED?

From Blackstone Courier-Record

Dr. Cyril Garbett, British Archbishop of York, in his sermon at the worldwide Anglican Conference said that these are days "when civilization threatens to crash into ruins."

This is somewhat of a pessimistic viewpoint, but the truth of the matter is that, in practically every age, there have been many leaders to suggest that civilization is about to go to the dogs.

In fact, there has been no age, in the history of the world, when hate and suspicion were not at large, or when the world was not alarmed by rumors of impending, or future, war. There has been no time, so far in recorded history, that the average man escaped the feeling that he existed at the mercy of the political and economic systems of which he happened to be a part.

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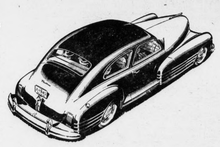

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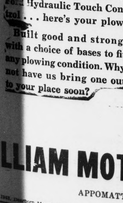

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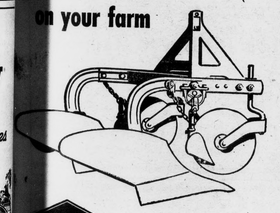

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Oakville

Oakville, Aug. 25.- Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hamilton and family, Mrs. Donald Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. Ned Burge and daughters were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lucado Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Bass, and daughter spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bass.

Clinton Wayne Lucado visited William Smith Sunday.

Eston Harvey, of Chase City, spent last week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Harvey.

Carlton Marsh was operated on for appendicitis at the Virginia Baptist Hospital last week. He is getting along nicely at this writing. We hope he will soon be well again.

Little Clyde Page is well enough to be at home after spending several weeks at the Virginia Baptist Hospital. We hope he will continue to improve.

Mrs. R. L. Harris, who was a patient at the Virginia Baptist Hospital last week, is getting along fine and is back home again.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Page and daughter visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Page last week-end.

T. L. Page visited his daughters in Farmville last week-end.

Mrs. Eddie Martin and children, of Portsmouth, Va.; Mrs. Henry Hargate and son and Mrs. Lacy Dickerson, of Pamplin visited Mrs. Berkley Rogers one day last week.

Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Pat Cox and son, of Lynchburg visited in this home.

Harold Otey Rogers, Jr. and Carolyn Rogers, of Lynchburg are visiting their grandmother, Mrs. Daisy Rogers this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Coleman and children visited in the home of Mrs. C. H. Coleman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Coleman and children and Mrs. Bessie Cobb and daughter visited Mr. and Mrs. William Burcher, at Howardsville, recently.

R. J. Coleman continues sick at his home near here. We hope he will soon be better.

Mrs. H. L. Blanks, of Richmond spent several days last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Smith.

Richard Smith, Jr. returned with his sister, Mrs. C. F. Linamon, to Ohio for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Moore and daughter, Dot, and Mrs. Irene Rogers went on a trip over the Skyline Drive and to Natural Bridge last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Wagner and family of Norfolk visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Moore Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Moore and daughter visited Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Coleman at Scottsville recently. Mrs. Coleman and daughters returned with them and spent several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Wilkerson, of Lynchburg, and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Adams and son, of Roanoke visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Adams last week-end.

Mrs. Reva Ayers spent Sunday with Mrs. Daisy Rogers.

Mrs. Wiley Moore and son, Claude Allen; Mr. and Mrs. Alton Moore and Bobbie Phelps visited Mr. and Mrs. Cash at Madison Heights last Sunday.

Billy Bobbitt is visiting this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Moore.

Miss Dot Moore, of Norfolk, is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Williams, and children visited Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Martin, Sr. last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Moore, of Roanoke spent last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Moore, of Beckham and Mrs. E. B. Martin here.

Russia closes its two consular offices in U. S. and demands U. S. close its two in Russia.

Evergreen

Evergreen, Aug. 24.- G. W. Glover is out again after a spell of sickness.

Mrs. Eddie Warriner is improving after a recent illness. Those visiting in this home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hodge, Miss Blannie Evans, Mrs. Lizzie Hodge, Mrs. C. C. Staples and granddaughters, Misses Martha and Karry White, of Lynchburg; Mr. and Mrs. James Smith and daughter, Linda, of Alexandria, Va.; Mrs. Frank Clements and daughter, Nancy, and Mrs. Frances Crews and two sons, of Nathalie, Va.

Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Glover during the week- end were Mrs. Mary Sullivan, of Lynchburg; Mrs. J. W. Glover and two sons, of Crewe; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Staples and two granddaughters. Misses Martha and Karry White, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Farrar, and Mrs. Green Garrett.

Miss Lucille Ferguson and Billy Ferguson called in the home of Mrs. Howard Glover Wednesday night. They were accompanied home by Miss Eulalia Glover, for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gibson and two sons, Charlie and Billy Gibson, and Miss Lindy Warriner have returned home after visiting here.

A group of Y. W. A. girls and R. A. boys and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Carter, of the Baptist Church here went on a picnic Saturday evening.

Mrs. T. D. Harris and five children and Mrs. Howard Glover and three children spent the week-end with their father, A. B. Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. V. Harvey and daughter, Phyllis spent last Sunday with his brother, Chapp Harvey, and family, of Darlington Heights.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Blackwell called to see Mr. and Mrs. Green Garrett Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Smith and son, Freddie returned home Thursday after a two week visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warriner.

Misses Eulalia and Elnora Glover called to see Miss Lucille Ferguson Saturday night.

A crowd from around here went to Holliday Lake Saturday afternoon on a picnic.

Evergreen, August 23.- Those visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Evans Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Morton Wilkes, of Appomattox; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hodge and Miss Blannie Evans.

Mrs. Emile Hudson and daughter, of Arlington, Va. have been spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Hudson.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wooldridge, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Farrar, Joe Paulette visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Evans Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. B. W. Harvey is ill at this writing. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Farrar spent Saturday in Lynchburg.

Lowell Fleshman and Miss Doris Garrette called to see Miss Doris Evans Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. James Evans remains ill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warriner, of Evergreen; Mrs. W. H. Smith and son, Freddie, Mrs. James Gibson and sons, of Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Evans, of Charlotte C. H.; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Evans, of Appomattox; Howard Phelps, Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Phelps and son; Miss Pauline Phelps, Leroy Chidester, of Oakville, and Mr. and Mrs. Walker Jennings called to see Mr. and Mrs. James Evans recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hodge, Miss Blannie Evans and Mrs. Lizzie Hodge called to see Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warriner Sunday afternoon.

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